



# INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (IPALG) IN UKRAINE

*Canada's Strategic Objectives in Ukraine*

During the past several years, the Canadian Government, through the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, has built an impressive technical assistance program designed to promote a stable transition to democracy and to market-based economies within the region. The Canadian Government recognized that Canada's relations with Ukraine are preminent and that Ukraine is in need of significant resources and support.

With Canada's assistance, the Institute of Public Administration and Local Government (IPALG) was established by Presidential Decree on March 4, 1992. In recognition of the need for public administration institutions in Ukraine, IPALG received the full commitment of the highest level of the Ukrainian government. Established by the President, IPALG's

management structure is headed by a distinguished Board of Directors including five Western specialists. The Institute reports through the Cabinet of Ministers and its Canadian Director Dr. Bohdan Krawchenko, and has received the financial resources and facilities appropriate to fulfill its mandate, namely to address the challenge of public administration education and training in Ukraine.

In September 1992, the Institute accepted the first 100 candidates for a Master's of Public Administration (MPA) program. A primary goal of the MPA is to create a vital "policy elite" of graduates within the next five years. MPA graduates, as leaders of the new public service, will manage key government departments. The training received at IPALG will provide these individuals with the tools, knowledge and language proficiency necessary to skillfully guide Ukraine through the difficult transition period ahead.

As part of its mandate to create and develop a strong public service, IPALG intends to become a centre of expertise in the development and delivery of a series of short-term retraining programs to all levels of government in Ukraine. With the help of Western specialists, IPALG will undertake a central leadership role in this field.

Provision has also been made for the appointment of several Directors who will develop centres of expertise in Policy



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On October 16, this delegation of 20 senior officials arrived in Canada in the second phase of an Executive Program for Ministers and Deputy Ministers, under the same umbrella project as the Women's Executive Program (see story page 14). They participated in a program of lectures, visits to their counterparts' departments and meetings with Canadian business leaders both in Ottawa and, together with President Kuchma's delegation, in Toronto. (For 1st phase, see Monitor Vol. 2 #1.)